

Response

Claim 15 was amended in accordance with the amendments above. The amendments to the claims are being made relative to the claims as amended by the Examiner's Amendment entered with the Notice of Allowance mailed 01/23/2006. The amendments are fully supported by the specification, claims, and figures as originally filed. No new matter is believed or intended to be involved. Applicants further believe that the present amendments may be appropriately entered in accordance with MPEP 714.16 and its subsections.

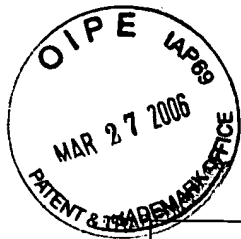
Applicants sincerely appreciate the courtesies extended by the Examiner during the telephone interview on 03/22/2006. The claims have been amended as discussed in the interview. Applicants further appreciate the Examiner's agreement during the interview that the present amendments do not affect the scope of the claims and that the present amendments are merely formal, and that the present amendments would therefore be entered.

Accordingly, entry of the amendment made herein is earnestly solicited. Should the Office wish to discuss the amendments or arguments made herein, Applicants invite the Office to contact the undersigned at (513)369-4811 or via e-mail at aulmer@fbtlaw.com.

Respectfully Submitted,



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